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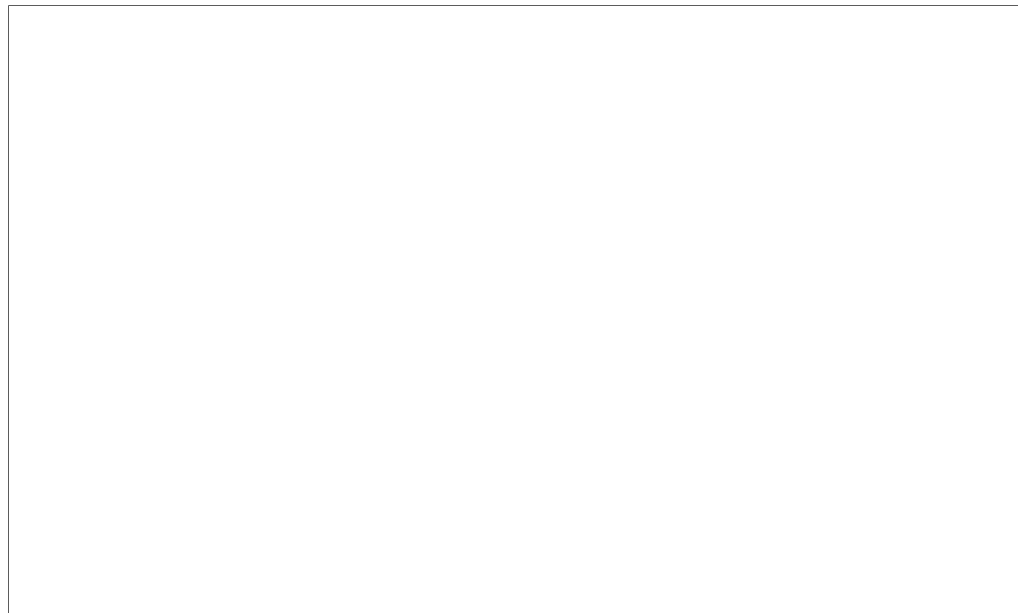
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Cyprus: Greek Cypriots are continuing their efforts to strengthen their military force.

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In Nicosia, Greek Cypriot leaders have announced they plan to merge the police and gendarmerie. They have confirmed that legislation providing for military conscription will soon be enacted.

Greek Cypriot leaders have confirmed to the press reports that the government is negotiating with "various countries" for heavy armament, planes, and torpedo boats. There has been no public reference to specific countries from which arms aid is being sought, but the Greek Cypriots have been asserting since last January that the USSR or other bloc countries would be willing to supply such equipment.

Despite these claims Moscow is unlikely to embark on a large-scale military aid program at this time, but it may be willing to provide small arms to the Greek Cypriots. An extensive program of military aid would alarm both Turkey and Greece.

The announcement yesterday by UN political adviser Galo Plaza that only 17 of 91 Turkish Cypriots believed to have been taken hostage by the Greek Cypriots since 27 March were in the government's hands will further heighten tension.

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Rumania: The Rumanian party's declaration of independence in Soviet bloc affairs on 22 April is being followed up by an anti-Soviet indoctrination campaign designed to gain additional popular support for the regime by appealing to nationalist sentiments.

The extent of this unprecedented campaign, as portrayed in reports perhaps deliberately leaked to the US Legation, and the bitterness voiced toward the USSR and Khrushchev personally suggest, however, that Rumanian party chief Gheorghiu-Dej also has other purposes in mind.

Claims that measures have been taken to combat "infiltration" by Soviet secret police in the Rumanian police and army appear intended to reassure the populace that the danger of Soviet interference in Rumanian affairs has been removed.

Rumania could be setting the stage for some new demonstration of its independence such as limiting, where useful, its economic cooperation with the Soviet bloc, or could be preparing to fend off some anticipated new Soviet challenge to its sovereignty.

The campaign coincides with the release of large numbers of political prisoners and will encourage popular hopes for some greater degree of internal liberalization. There are few signs, however, that the regime would be responsive to such hopes.

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Iran: [Reliable sources of the US military attaché believe that 21-22 May and 5-6 June are the most likely dates for antigovernment rioting during the current month-long period of religious mourning. Riot control in Tehran has improved during the past year, but there may be disorders in some of the smaller provincial cities. The security forces have been alerted.]

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